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JABATAN AGAMA ISLAM SELANGOR

**WELCOME O**  
**RAMADAAAN**



Let us increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wata'aala* by fulfilling all of His Commands and abstaining from all of His prohibitions. Indeed, we truly hope to become individuals having *taqwa*,

attaining success and salvation  
in this world and the Hereafter.

On this blessed day, let us  
ponder upon the khutbah titled  
*“Welcome O Ramadaan.”*

Indeed, those having upright personality and noble *akhaaq* will serve their guests well. The guests' needs and necessities such as food and accommodation will be provided for.

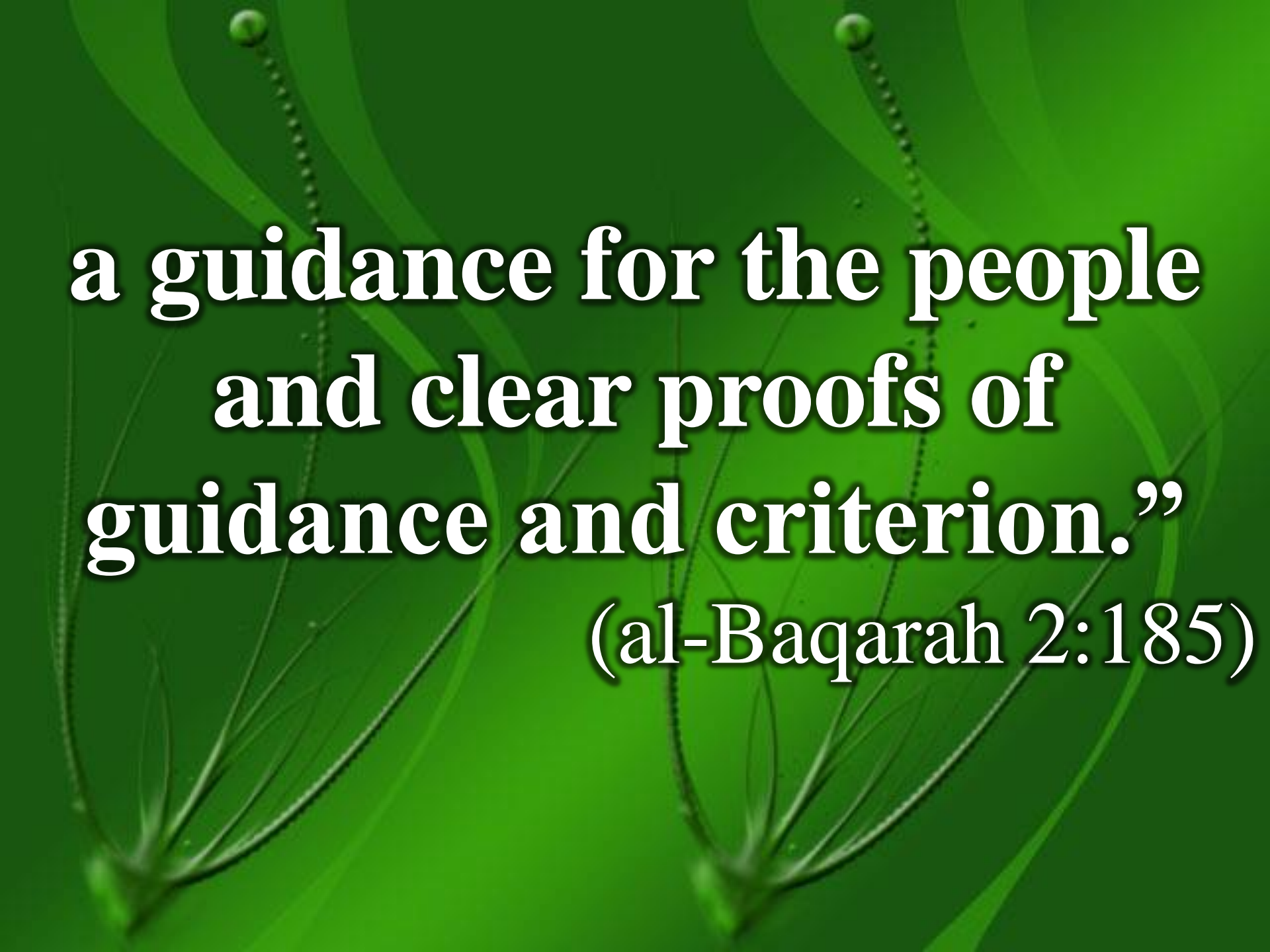
Any actions or deeds that may offend the guests will not be tolerated so that the guests will not become upset or displeased, so what more if they are very well-respected and distinguished

figures.

Today, we have been granted the opportunity once more to give the welcoming message upon the arrival of our noble guest *Ramadaan* that was distinctively sent by Allah

*Subhaanahu Wata 'aala*, the only month that was specifically mentioned by name in the Holy Qur'an.

**“The month of *Ramadaan* [is that] in which was revealed the Qur'an,**

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**a guidance for the people  
and clear proofs of  
guidance and criterion.”**

**(al-Baqarah 2:185)**

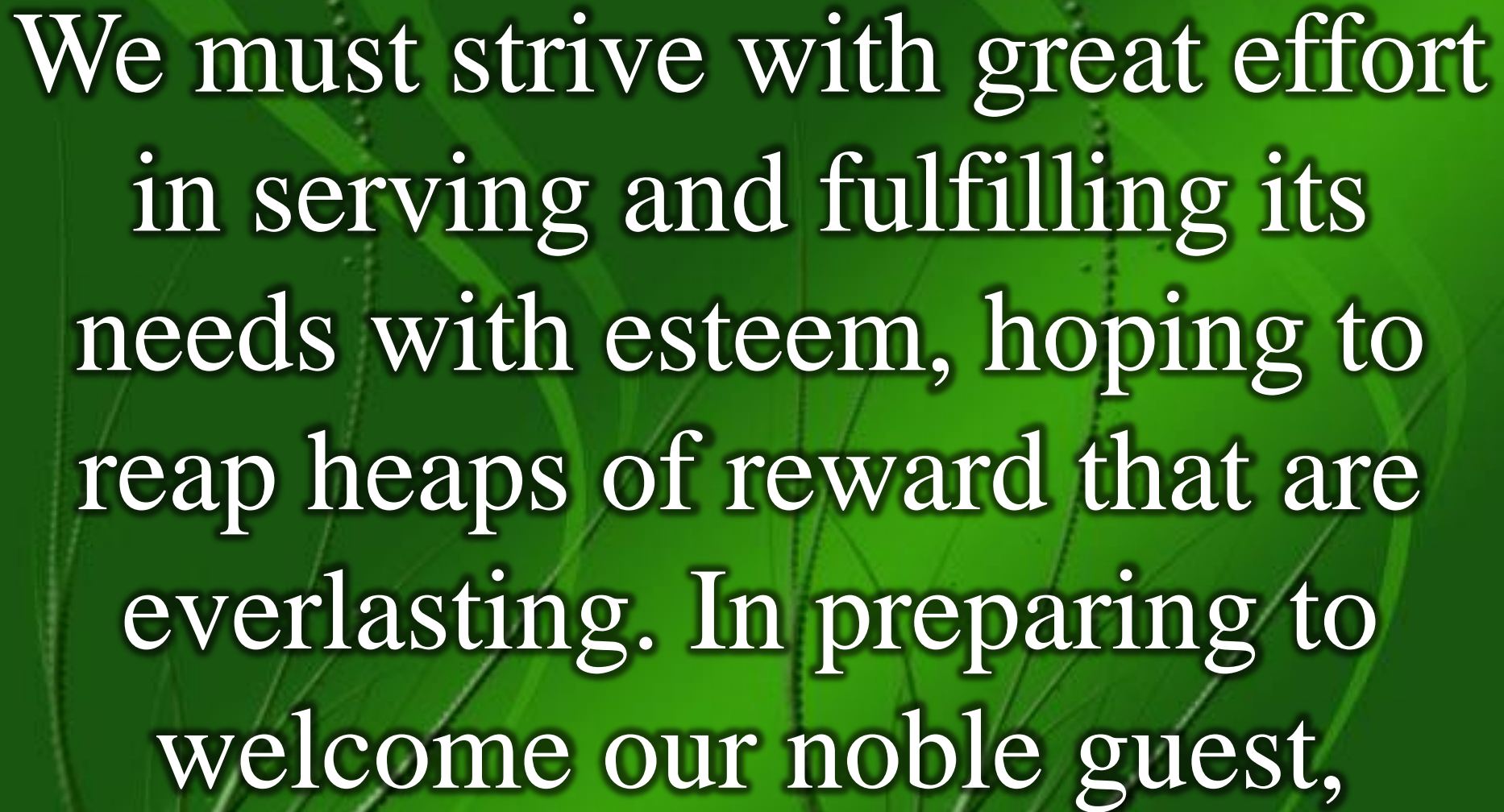


And we embrace it with our  
*du'a:*

*Allaahu Akbar! O Allah, bestow  
upon us imaan and peace,  
security and Islam (full  
submission), your tawfeeq and  
hidaayah upon*

*that which You like and are  
pleased with.*

*O hilaal, our Lord and your  
Lord is Allah Alone. Ahlan bika  
ya Ramadaan (Welcome O  
Ramadaan) ...*

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We must strive with great effort  
in serving and fulfilling its  
needs with esteem, hoping to  
reap heaps of reward that are  
everlasting. In preparing to  
welcome our noble guest,

the *khateeb* would like to mention a question that was once asked by ash-Shaheed al-Mihraab Shaykh Sa'eed Ramadaan al-Bouti, that is:

Is it true that the Muslims really fast every time *Ramadaan* arrives? Shaykh al-Bouti is not denying that every Muslims are diligently performing their *'ibaadah* of fasting by abstaining from

food and drink during the day,  
and praying *taraweeh* and  
*qiyaam* during the night. These  
are all manifestations of their  
utmost *taqwa* with Allah. Allah  
*Subhaanahu Wata'aala*  
mentions in

al-Qur'an:

**“That [is so]. And whoever honours the symbols of Allah – indeed, it is from the piety of hearts.”**

(al-Hajj 22:32)

However, what is worrisome to al-Bouti is whether the Muslims truly respect the coming of *Ramadaan*? It is undeniable that the Muslims will be out on the streets, in the market including bazaar

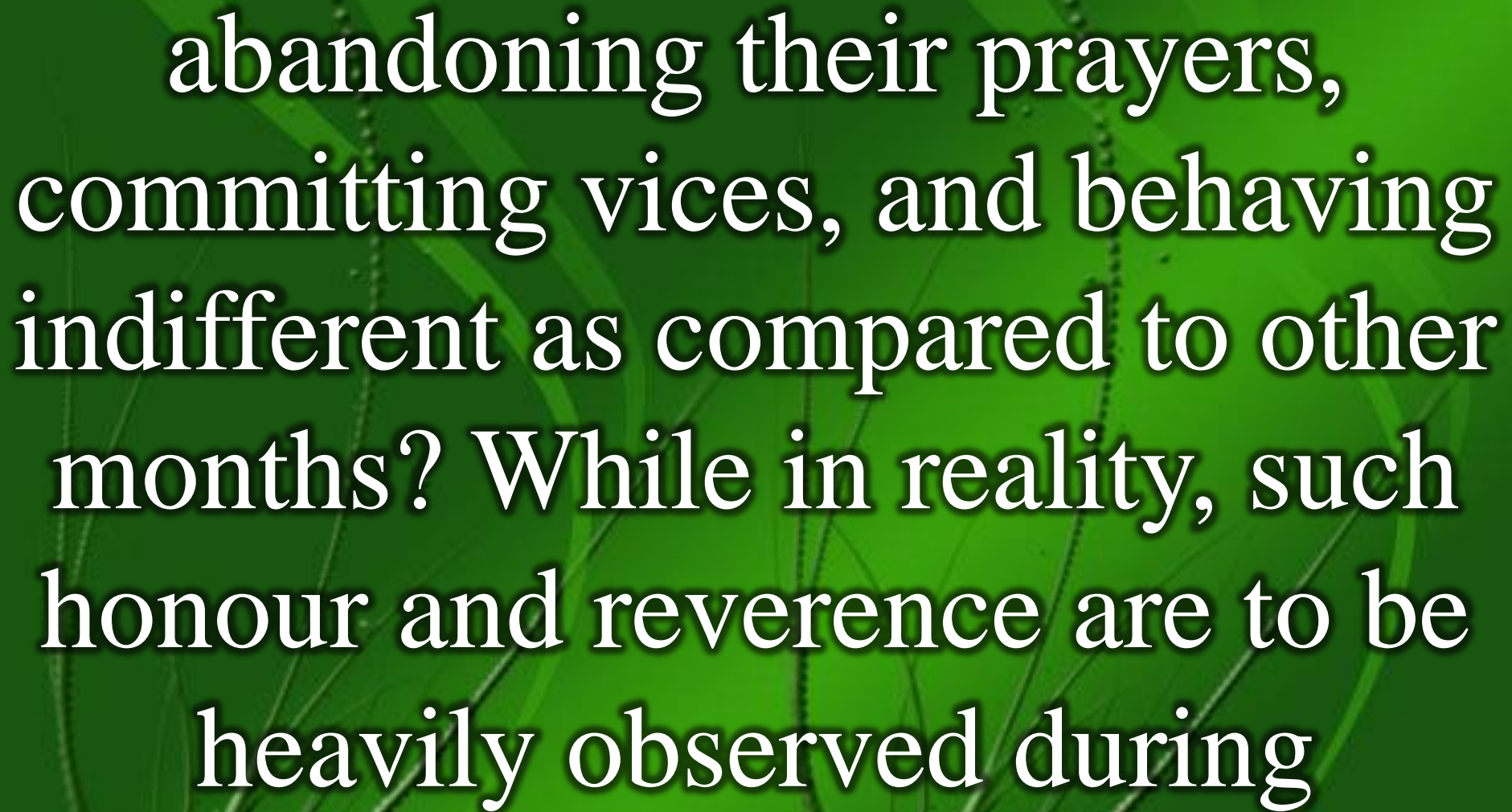


*Ramadaan*, in the shopping malls, in government offices, in hotels, and everywhere else. Does the true appreciation and respect for *Ramadaan* truly exist in those locations?

Or is it the opposite?

Let us make *muhaasabah* as thorough as we can, and ponder upon this question: Are the Muslims embracing this noble *Ramadaan* with humility and bashfulness?

Are they always observing the ethics and conducts of *Ramadaan*? Are they safeguarding and respecting its sanctity, or are there still those that rudely consume food in public,

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abandoning their prayers,  
committing vices, and behaving  
indifferent as compared to other  
months? While in reality, such  
honour and reverence are to be  
heavily observed during

*Ramadaan. Allah Subhaanahu*

*Wata 'aala mentions in al-*

*Qur'an:*

**“It is not for a believing man  
or a believing woman,  
when Allah and His Messenger  
have decided**

**a matter, that they should  
[thereafter] have any choice  
about their affair. And  
whoever disobeys Allah and  
His Messenger has certainly  
strayed into clear error.”**

**(al-Ahzaab 33:36)**

Narrated Abu Muhammad  
'Abdullah ibn 'Amr ibn al-'As  
*radiyAllaahu 'anhuma,*  
Rasulullah *sallAllahu 'alayhi*  
*wasallam* said:

**“None of you [truly] believes  
until his desires are  
subservient to that which I  
have brought.”**

**(Forty *Ahadeeth* of an-Nawawi,  
#41: *hasan saheeh*)**



So, then the next question begs:  
Are the Muslims truly fearful  
and nervous in embracing the  
noble month of *Ramadaan* if  
they continue to become rebels  
to Allah, The Almighty and

All-Strong? Whilst Allah has sternly warned them in al-

Qur'an:

**“... and be afraid of [only]  
Me.”**

(al-Baqarah 2:40)

*Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala*  
mentions in al-Qur'an:

**“The Day they are dragged  
into the Fire on their faces [it  
will be said], “Taste the touch  
of *Saqar*.”**

(al-Qamar 54:48)

All these while, *Ramadaan* after  
*Ramadaan*, sufficient if you are  
ready to accept changes. Break  
free from the shackles of  
ignorance and become that new  
and cleansed person.

Verily, the traditional Malay mind is very susceptible in loving to change for the better, that the Malay proverb describes the disgrace and shame in not wanting to change, in saying:

*“Even after ten junks (Chinese sailing vessels) have anchored, the dog’s loincloth is still its tail.”*

It means that, dozens upon dozens of merchant vessels have docked bringing in

commerce goods including clothes and goods to fulfill the demand of modern and civilized living. But even then, there are still those that stubbornly refuse to accept changes, like the dog with only its tail as its loincloth.

**“For each one are successive  
[angels] before and behind  
him who protect him by the  
decree of Allah.**

**Indeed, Allah will not change  
the condition of a people until**



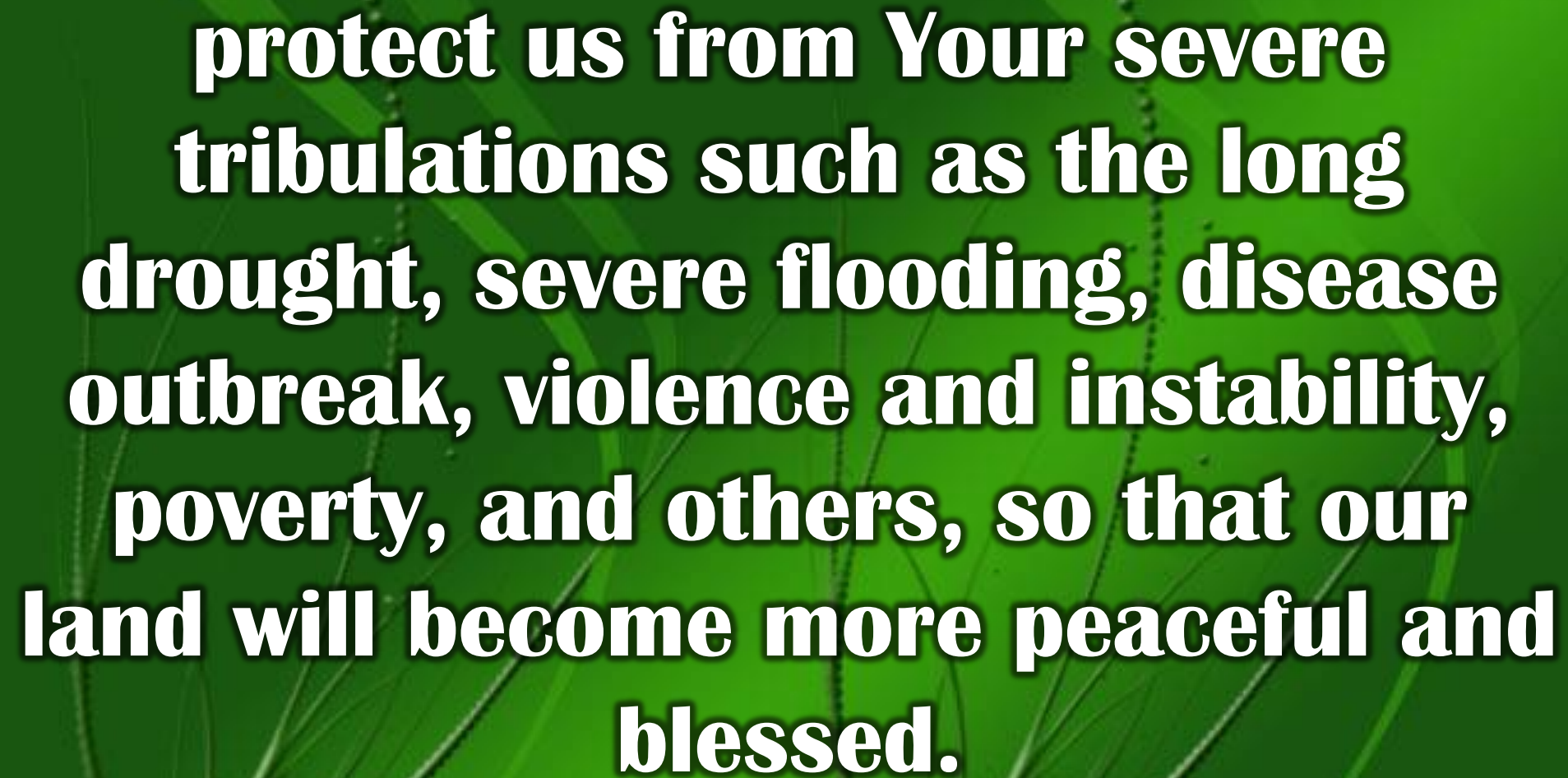
**they change what is in themselves. And when Allah intends for a people ill, there is no repelling it. And there is not for them besides Him any patron.”**

**(ar-Ra‘d 13:11)**

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِيْ وَ لَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَ نَفَعَنِي  
وَ اِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَ الذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَ تَقَبَّلْ  
مِنِّيْ وَ مِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ اِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيْعُ الْعَلِيْمُ. اَقُوْلُ  
قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَ اَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَ لَكُمْ وَ لِسَائِرِ  
الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَ الْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَ الْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَ الْمُؤْمِنَاتِ  
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَ الْأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوْهُ  
اِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُوْرُ الرَّحِيْمُ

**O Allah, You are the Almighty Lord,  
we are grateful unto You for having  
bestowed upon us Mercy and  
Blessings, nourishing us to strive  
to continue in strengthening the  
Muslim nation especially the state  
of Selangor, as an advanced,  
progressive, peaceful, and  
benevolent state.**

**We beseech and beg You, Ya Allah,  
to strengthen our *imaan*, increase  
our good deeds, strengthen our  
unity, increase our provision,  
enrich us with beneficial  
knowledge, nourish our soul with  
beautiful *akhlaaq*, guide us to the  
Path that is Pleasing to You,**



**protect us from Your severe tribulations such as the long drought, severe flooding, disease outbreak, violence and instability, poverty, and others, so that our land will become more peaceful and blessed.**

**Oh Allah, we ask You to open up the hearts of the Muslim *ummah* especially in Selangor, to fulfill their *zakaat* obligation as You had decreed in al-Qur'an. Bless the lives of those who have fulfilled their *zakaat* obligation, loving and caring for the poor and needy.**

**Purify their wealth and soul so that  
they will live according to that  
which pleases You. Protect the poor  
and needy from disbelief and  
everlasting poverty. *Allaahummaa  
ameen***



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